

**Topical Heading**

## Adult Education

**Program Title**

## Adult Education—Basic Grants to States

**CFDA # (or ED #)**

84.002

**Administering Office**

Office of Vocational and Adult Education (OVAE).

**Who May Apply (by category)**

State Education Agencies (SEAs)

**Who May Apply (specifically)**

Awards are made to state eligible agencies responsible for adult education. The Department provides grants to these agencies, which in turn fund local projects. The following types of entities are eligible to apply to state eligible agencies for funds: local education agencies (LEAs); community-based organizations of demonstrated effectiveness; volunteer literacy organizations of demonstrated effectiveness; institutions of higher education (IHEs); public or private nonprofit agencies; libraries; public housing authorities; nonprofit institutions that have the ability to provide literacy services to adults and families; and consortia of the agencies, organizations, institutions, libraries, or authorities previously described.

**Type of Assistance (by category)**

Formula Grants

**Appropriations**

Fiscal Year 2004	\$574,372,092
Fiscal Year 2005	\$569,671,872
Fiscal Year 2006	\$563,975,280

**Fiscal Year 2006 Awards Information**

*Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.*

Number of New Awards Anticipated: 57

Average New Award: \$9,718,422

Range of New Awards: \$47,047–\$80,633,745

**Legislative Citation***Adult Education and Family Literacy Act; 20 U.S.C. 9201 et seq.***Program Regulations***EDGAR.* Also, nonregulatory guidance for adult education programs is provided to states**Program Description**

This program provides grants to states to fund local programs of adult education and literacy services, including workplace literacy services, family literacy services, and English literacy and civics education programs. Participation in these programs is limited to adults and out-of-school youths age 16 and older.

**Types of Projects**

More than 5,000 programs deliver instruction through public schools, community colleges, libraries, and community-based organizations, and other providers. The programs provide instruction in: reading, numeracy, GED preparation, and English literacy. More than 2.8 million adults participated in programs in FY 2005.

**Education Level (by category)**

Adult, Out-of-School Youth

**Education Level (specifically)**

Below the postsecondary level

**Subject Index**

Adult Education, Adult Literacy, English (Second Language), High School Equivalency Programs, Limited English Proficiency, Out-of-School Youth

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**Links to Related Web Sites**

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/adultedbasic/index.html>

<http://www.ed.gov/fund/data/report/AdultEd/2003allotment.html>